STATE FIRE MARSHAL PROPOSED CHANGES TO TITLE 19 REGULATIONS HOUSEKEEPING

Title 19, Division 1, Chapter 1, SubChapter 1,

Section 3.19 Housekeeping

(b) All combustible waste material and rubbish shall be stored in approved containers or shall be stored in a manner approved by the enforcing agency as being consistent with standard fire prevention practices until such waste material and rubbish is removed from the premises or otherwise disposed of in a proper manner. Approved containers shall be of noncombustible material conforming to ASTM E 136 (1973), or may be of any material which will not of itself support combustion in accordance with Section 1273.3, Subchapter 8, Title 19, CCR. Nonmetallic rubbish containers with a capacity of less than 30 gallons shall be manufactured of materials tested in accordance with U.L. Standard 242 "Nonmetallic Containers for Waste Paper." Nonmetallic rubbish containers with a capacity of 30 gallons or more shall be manufactured of materials having a peak rate of heat release not exceeding 300 kW/m2 that meet ASTM Standard 1354, "Standard Test Method for Heat and Visible Smoke Release Rates for Materials and Products Using an Oxygen Consumption Calorimeter." Such containers shall be equipped with an integrated self-closing lid and be permanently labeled indicating capacity and peak rate of heat release.

Authority cited: Sections 13108, 13143, 13143.6, 13211, 17920.7, 17921 and 18897.3, Health and Safety Code. Reference: Sections 13100-13146.5, 13210-13216, 17920.7, 17921 and 18897-18897.7, Health and Safety Code.